

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN**

In re:

BARFLY VENTURES, LLC, *et. al.*,<sup>1</sup>

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 20-01947-jwb

(Jointly Administered)

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**MONTHLY FEE STATEMENT OF AMHERST CONSULTING, LLC FOR  
COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED & REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES  
AS FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED  
CREDITORS FOR AUGUST 2020**

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Name of Applicant:	Amherst Consulting, LLC
Authorized to provide services to:	Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors
Effective Date of Retention:	August 10, 2020 (retroactive to June 25)
Period for which compensation is sought:	August 2020
Amount of compensation sought as actual, reasonable, and necessary:	\$5,485.00 80% = \$4,388.00 20% = \$1,097.00
Amount of expense reimbursement sought:	\$0.00
Total interim request:	<b>\$4,388.00</b>

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<sup>1</sup> The Debtors are: Barfly Ventures, LLC, (8379), Barfly Management, LLC (6274), 9 Volt, LLC (d/b/a HopCat)(1129), 50 Amp Fuse, LLC (d/b/a Stella's Lounge)(3684), GRBC Holdings, LLC, (d/b/a Grand Rapids Brewing Company)(2130), E L Brewpub, LLC (d/b/a HopCat East Lansing)(5334), HopCat-Ann Arbor, LLC (5229), HopCat-Chicago LLC (7552), HopCat-Concessions, LLC (2597), HopCat-Detroit, LLC (8519), HopCat- GR Beltline, LLC (9149), HopCat-Holland, LLC (7132), HopCat Indianapolis, LLC (d/b/a HopCat-Broad Ripple)(7970), HopCat-Kalamazoo, LLC (8992), HopCat-Kansas City, LLC (d/b/a HopCat-KC, LLC and TikiCat)(6242), HopCat Lexington, LLC (6748), HopCat-Lincoln, LLC (2999), HopCat-Louisville, LLC (0252), HopCat-Madison, LLC (9108), HopCat- Minneapolis, LLC (8622), HopCat-Port St. Lucie, LLC (0616), HopCat- Royal Oak, LLC (1935), HopCat-St. Louis, LLC (6994), Luck of the Irish, LLC (d/b/a The Waldron Public House LLC and McFadden's Restaurant Saloon) (4255).

Respectfully submitted by,

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Creditors of Barfly Ventures, LLC*

Dated: September 14, 2020.

## Amherst Consulting

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**Customer:**

Official UCC of Barfly Ventures, LLC  
c/o Gordon Food Service, Inc.  
1300 Gezon Parkway S.W.  
Wyoming, MI 49509  
Attn: Ms. Sharon Murphy

**Invoice**

**Invoice #:** 41863  
**Invoice Date:** 9/8/2020  
**Due Date:** 9/8/2020

Date	Category	Name	Description	Hours	Rate	Amount
8/1/2020	CF / Liquidity	Partner-Sto...	Review Committee's response to FSB's PPP objections (.30)	0.30	400.00	120.00
8/3/2020	Asset Sales	Partner-Sto...	Review Mastodon information	0.20	400.00	80.00
8/3/2020	Committee Mtg / Communicati on	Partner-Sto...	Phone call with M. Brandess	0.20	400.00	80.00
8/3/2020	Case Admin	MD-Morden	Call with M. Brandess on case steps (0.1), review of FSB filed docs (0.2)	0.20	350.00	70.00
8/3/2020	CF / Liquidity	MD-Morden	Review of cash flow file from Rock Creek	0.20	350.00	70.00
8/3/2020	Fin. Info. Analysis	MD-Morden	Follow ups with debtor on PPP usage (0.1)	0.10	350.00	35.00
8/3/2020	Retention / Fee Applications	MD-Morden	Prep of July statement	0.50	350.00	175.00
8/4/2020	Case Admin	Partner-Sto...	Read and respond to emails	0.50	400.00	200.00
8/4/2020	Committee Mtg / Communicati on	Partner-Sto...	Committee call	0.50	400.00	200.00
8/4/2020	Case Admin	MD-Morden	Review liquor license emails	0.10	350.00	35.00
8/4/2020	CF / Liquidity	MD-Morden	Review cash flow info from Rock Creek and analyze cash/respond to same	0.20	350.00	70.00
8/4/2020	Retention / Fee Applications	MD-Morden	Call with P. Hague on fee apps (0.2), revise June/July bills (1.0)	1.30	350.00	455.00
8/5/2020	Committee Mtg / Communicati on	Partner-Sto...	Review Amherst fee application	0.20	400.00	80.00
8/5/2020	Case Admin	MD-Morden	Review committee strategy emails	0.20	350.00	70.00
8/5/2020	CF / Liquidity	MD-Morden	Latest cash flow file review	0.10	350.00	35.00
8/6/2020	Asset Sales	Partner-Sto...	Review Mastodon information	0.30	400.00	120.00
8/6/2020	CF / Liquidity	MD-Morden	Cash flow review	0.20	350.00	70.00
8/7/2020	CF / Liquidity	Partner-Sto...	Review cash flow	0.20	400.00	80.00
8/7/2020	CF / Liquidity	MD-Morden	Review of latest cash flow and questions to Rock Creek on same	0.50	350.00	175.00

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**Current Invoice Total**

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8/10/2020	Retention / Fee	MD-Morden	Prep fee data	0.20	350.00	70.00
8/11/2020	Applications Committee Mtg / Communication	Partner-Sto...	Review applications	0.50	400.00	200.00
8/12/2020	Case Admin	Partner-Sto...	Classify June and July 2020 labor categories for invoicing purposes	0.50	400.00	200.00
8/12/2020	Case Admin	MD-Morden	Review case email and call with M. Brandess on case status	0.30	350.00	105.00
8/14/2020	Asset Sales	Partner-Sto...	CC w/ Mastodon	0.30	400.00	120.00
8/14/2020	Committee Mtg / Communication	Partner-Sto...	Review Bar Date motio	0.20	400.00	80.00
8/18/2020	Committee Mtg / Communication	Partner-Sto...	Weekly Committee call	0.50	400.00	200.00
8/18/2020	Asset Sales	MD-Morden	Review Mastadon sales process email and supporting files	0.20	350.00	70.00
8/19/2020	Asset Sales	Partner-Sto...	CC with Mastodon	0.50	400.00	200.00
8/19/2020	Case Admin	Partner-Sto...	Review and respond to emails	0.30	400.00	120.00
8/21/2020	Asset Sales	Partner-Sto...	CC w/ Mastodon/Brandess	0.50	400.00	200.00
8/21/2020	CF / Liquidity	Partner-Sto...	Review two weeks of cash flow	1.00	400.00	400.00
8/25/2020	Asset Sales	MD-Morden	Review of sales process updates	0.10	350.00	35.00
8/26/2020	Case Admin	Partner-Sto...	Review emails	0.20	400.00	80.00
8/27/2020	CF / Liquidity	Partner-Sto...	Review TWCF	0.50	400.00	200.00
8/27/2020	CF / Liquidity	MD-Morden	Review, variance analysis, and info request for updated cash flow from RC	0.70	350.00	245.00
8/28/2020	Asset Sales	Partner-Sto...	CCw/ Mastodon; PC w/ M. Brandess	0.70	400.00	280.00
8/31/2020	Asset Sales	Partner-Sto...	Review sales matrix	0.20	400.00	80.00
8/31/2020	Asset Sales	Partner-Sto...	PC's (2) w/ J. Morden	0.30	400.00	120.00
8/31/2020	Asset Sales	Partner-Sto...	PC w/ M. Brandess	0.30	400.00	120.00
8/31/2020	Asset Sales	MD-Morden	Call with S. Stone (0.2) on asset sale, asset sale file review	0.40	350.00	140.00

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